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| **Learning is Meaning-Centered**   * It “makes sense” * Is an ACTIVE process in which meanings are:   Meaning Centered   * + developed and changed   + discovered and clarified * Is NOT an isolated process   + All meanings are made in the context of prior meanings SO,     - Don’t expect all students to respond to the text in the same way | **Learning Occurs in a Social Context**   * INTERACTION leads to learning   + the content   Social   * + how others think and learn – “think aloud”   + how to take turns communicating * COLLABORATION with others expands a student’s repertoire of responses   + Mutual exchange and construction of ideas   ***As students interact, they become teachers*** |
| **Learning as Language-Based**   * It always occurs in a situation * Information taught out of context is:   Language-Based  ⦁ abstract ⦁ difficult to learn  ⦁ task-specific ⦁ quickly forgotten  🞽 ***Activities need to be purposeful***   * Writing ***and*** Reading are CONSTRUCTIVE   + Sometimes simultaneous acts (reading and note-taking)   + Should be continuously integrated and related | **Learning as Human/Interpersonal**   * All learners use language to make meaning in unique ways   + Each person has his/her own prior knowledge and experience   Human   * Learners need to acquire “metacognitive awareness” – knowledge of their own thinking * Attitudes and feelings affect how learners think and learn (skill vs. will) * Need to understand self and others to understand world |